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ALEX. H. WASHBURN

Trouble in Sweet Potato Factory

Co-operative Needs Patience and Time

The other day I was writing a piece praising the new factory at Laurel, Miss., which is turning Southern sweet potatoes into commercial starch, in competition with tapioca and other raw materials from Asia which now dominate the American starch market. But the ink was hardly dry on that editorial before there came news of trouble at the Laurel plant.

The neighboring West Point (Miss.) Times Leader reports that the farmers supplying the factory complain that 25 cents a bushel is too low a price for sweet potatoes.

There are other questions besides price, however. This first sweet-potato-starch-factory was financed by the WPA, and is operated as a farmer-owned co-operative. Laurel's own

Refunding Is Major Issue, Says Pilkinton

Debt Action Must Precede Road Building, He Tells Kiwanis

Senator James H. Pilkinton, speaking on problems likely to face the new state legislature, told the Hope Kiwanis club at its noon meeting Wednesday that in his opinion "bond refunding" would be the paramount issue before the 1941 Arkansas General Assembly when it meets early next month.

Saying that certain sections of the state, including Hempstead county, are in desperate need of hard-surface roads he called attention to the fact that "a wise highway refunding program must precede any road construction program, else we shall have no money to build roads with."

"We have played politics with the refunding question long enough in Arkansas," he declared; "the time is here when we should refund, and refund to the best interest of the state, then build roads."

Pointing out that refunding would not be the only problem to face the new legislature, Senator Pilkinton added that the General Assembly must budget all state agencies and departments for the next two years and perhaps reorganize at least one of them—the educational department.

"Several of us fought the text book racket during the last legislature," he said, "and now we have a chance to see our labor bear fruit in a reorganization of the state department of education."

Taking cognizance of news items which indicate that dozen or more state senators who drew four-year terms in 1939 may have an opportunity to serve six years under the provisions of Amendment 23 to the state constitution which provides for a reapportionment of the senatorial districts after each federal census, Pilkinton told the club:

"I am one of the senators who might profit by this technicality. However, I have no disposition to prolong my term without the necessity of seeking re-election. If, after the expiration of my present term, I should desire to serve longer in the Senate I want to be elected back. I don't want to slip in for an additional two years just because I can do so under a technicality in the law."

He added that the idea "smelled undemocratic" to him and that the first he knew of the possibility was when he read about it in the Little Rock papers.

CRANUM CRACKERS

Neville Chamberlain

The world lost one of its best known figures when Sir Neville Chamberlain died at his home in England early in November. Here are five questions about the life of the British statesman.

1. How many times was Chamberlain prime minister?

2. What was Chamberlain's business before he entered politics?

3. Under what circumstances did Chamberlain make his famous "peace in our time" statement?

4. The champion of appeasement entered public life when he was elected lord mayor of what large English city?

5. When did Winston Churchill succeed Chamberlain as prime minister? How long had the later then held that office?

Answers on Comic Page

Tree-Planting at Courthouse on This Friday

Inspection of Landscaped Grounds From 2 to 3 o'Clock

Public inspection and tree setting ceremonies celebrating completion of landscaping on the new Hempstead county courthouse grounds will be held on the courthouse lawn this Friday afternoon, December 6, from 2:00 to 3:00, states County Judge Frank Rider.

Several organizations have made requests to set memorial trees during the general landscape plan. They include the Girl Scouts, Hempstead County Home Demonstration Council, The Garden Clubs of Hope, Boy Scouts, County Farm Bureau, and county officials. Each organization with their respective representatives will christen a native tree during the brief ceremonies. Uniformed Girl Scouts will provide the flag and color guard and other appropriate ceremonies will be included in the brief program.

By special arrangement between county and University officials, and with the cooperation of local nurserymen, the courthouse and grounds have been completely landscaped by the University of Arkansas Fruit & Truck Branch Experiment Station under the supervision of George W. Ware. All landscape materials were grown by the Experiment Station or obtained by local nurserymen at a considerable saving to the county. The landscape arrangement promises to be one of the most attractive in the section and greatly enhances the appearance of the nation, including The Star, and managed by a board of directors elected by vote of the newspapers. And yet the frankly-written history of The Associated Press, published last month and reviewed in this column, showed that although the idea of a news co-operative started in the War of 1812, it wasn't until nearly 100 years later—the beginning of this century—that The Associated Press became the really successful co-operative which it is today.

If it took the overrated brains and money of the city newspapers of America, representing perhaps half a billion dollars of investment, 100 years to found a successful co-operative, you can imagine the size of the problem that those sweet potato growers are tackling in their starch factory over in Laurel, Miss.

And yet I say that nothing in this wide world should discourage them or cause them to think for one instant about giving up this new enterprise.

Despite the difficulties confronting a co-operative, they have a stake in which the whole nation is interested. And all they need is time.

For instance, if a private industry took over this Laurel sweet potato starch factory you can well imagine what its first step would be toward expanding the factory's market and at the same time increasing the price the factory would pay the farmers for their sweetpotatoes. This is what private industry would do:

It would set up a lobby in Washington, persuade the law-makers to put a tariff on tapioca and other imported materials for the manufacture of starch, and would then advance the price of the American-made product to allow a profit.

What private industry can do—if the members are willing to stick together long enough to work their problems out.

The Laurel starch factory is already close to being a success. It has brought the production cost of sweet potato starch down to 3 cents a pound, against 24 cents for starch made from Asian raw materials.

It wouldn't take private capital very long to turn that experimental Laurel plant into a giant industry. But who ever does the trick has to practice discipline in ownership, skill in production and marketing, and persistence in setting up a political lobby at Washington.

What is the stake? Simply this:

Establishment of a new link between the farms of the South and the industrial markets of the North and the East—turning sweet potatoes into commercial starch.

As we would look at it if the plant were located in Hope: It is 500 miles to St. Louis and the nearest market for most of our farm products except cotton. Thus far cotton is about the only thing we grow which has a definite value irrespective of distance to market. Livestock is coming on; but cotton remains our big interest.

But a sweet potato starch factory would provide a new market within wagon-distance for a commodity that is grown plentifully in every county in the South.

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COTTON

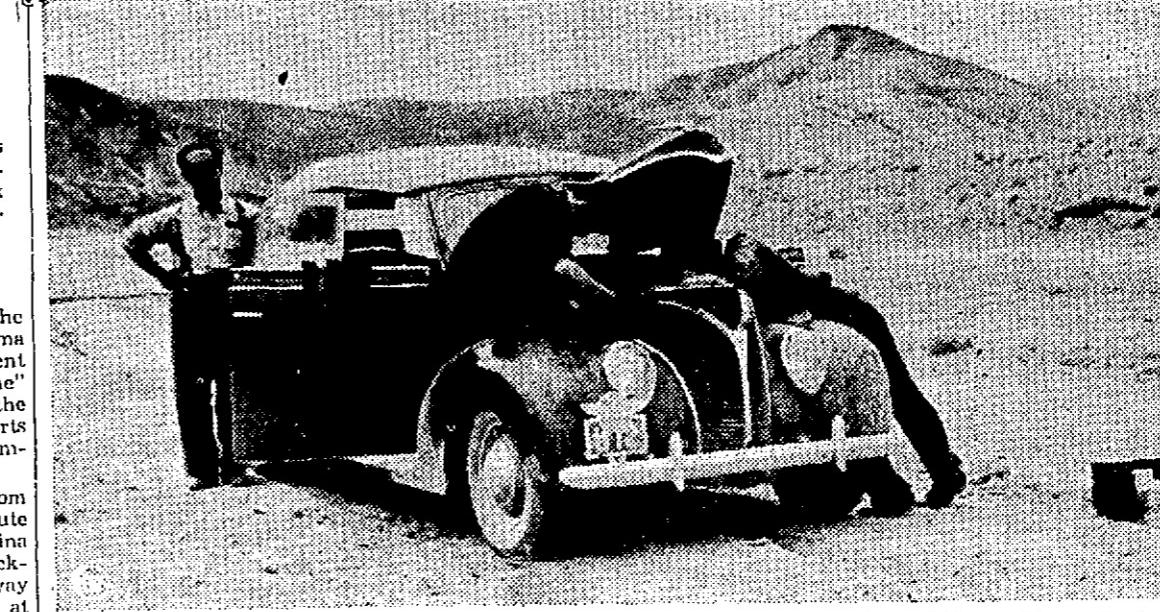
NEW YORK.—(P)—January cotton opened at 10.10 and closed at 10.08. Middling spot at 10.37.

Darn Clever These Chinese, as the Japs Are Finding Out; Secret Ports Beat Jap Blockade

Daring Junks Run Blockade; Bribery of Japs Occurs

This is the last of three stories by an American Y. M. C. A. director who has been in the thick of the whole Sino-Japanese war.

By GEORGE A. FITCH
NEA Special Correspondent



Travel in the interior of China is like this . . . no roads . . . no filling stations. The author's car has encountered engine trouble on the desert road to Kokonor in northern Tibet.

Rumania Takes Over Oil Wells

Standard One of Many Companies Expropriated

BUCHAREST.—(P)—Premier Ion Antonescu of Rumania decreed Wednesday the expropriation of all oil pipelines, pumping stations, reservoirs and all real estate on which they were situated.

One of the companies hardest hit by the decree was Romano Americano, owned by the Standard Oil company. It has several hundred thousand dollars invested in property which will be expropriated.

The average time for freight cov-

ering this bustling trade route from Hongkong to Lao-tung is eight days, though a fleet of bicyclists maintain a two and a half day service over the road for mail and for passengers tough enough to take it. You ride pillion, seated on a luggage carrier over the rear wheel, while the man at the handlebars, pedals madly over shellholes, temporary bridges and debris of man ya battlefield.

Blockade Far From Air-Tight

In Shantou I saw a vivid example of the efficiency with which the Chinese Government is carrying on. I called on Y. C. Koo, commissioner of finance for Kwangtung, in his headquarters in a limestone cave a few miles outside the city.

The Japanese know the location of the cave, and have repeatedly tried to blast him out. But he and his staff manage to collect provincial finances under the very noses of the Japanese—in areas which on maps are claimed by the Japanese—and have actually increased the government's revenue over the pre-war figure without imposing hardships or raising the rates.

The Japanese blockade of the coast of China is far from airtight. The Chinese junk captain is famous as a blockade-runner, and many are now risking their lives in this dangerous work. The coast is indented with many small harbors, and smuggling provides a thin but continual stream of income.

In Chekiang and Fukien a semi-

legalized system of smuggling is carried on with the connivance of corrupt Japanese authorities. In many such cities there are Japanese concessionaires who for a consideration will undertake to get almost any cargo past military and naval officials.

Some of the northern guerrilla forces actually get supplies through Tientsin, where they have to pass through the Japanese military lines.

A friend of mine told of seeing a clip of cartridges pass from the hand of a Japanese sentry into the sleeve of a Chinese who was being searched at the barricade at the edge of the concession.

Many Japanese officers have made fortunes at such business. The natives traffic, amounting to \$5,000,000 Chinese currency monthly in the Nanking area alone, is also enriching many officers and adds to the temptation of men in the lower ranks.

Russian Influence Held Negligible

The famous "Russian Road" can never be of great importance in transporting the heavy materials China needs. Incidentally, all shipments over this road go not to the "Communist Army" of China, but to representative of the Central Government at Lanchow.

I found no evidence at all that the Special Border Area occupied by

Communist Eighth Route Army is

absentee officials—Judges

L. B. Breed, Marvin Watterson, J. A. Sullivan.

Clerks

Houston Wolff, D. Whately.

Alternate Clerks

Frank Ward, Dale Jones.

Sheriff

Charles Hanson Sr.

Absentee Officials—Judges

Aren Moore, Pinky Byers, L. F. Higgason.

Clerks

J. C. Carlton, Pink Taylor.

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Conspiracy Plot Charged

29 Nitrate Companies to Face Federal Jury

NEW YORK.—(P)—A worldwide chain of conspiracies to control and monopolize the prices of nitrogen and nitrate of soda and other nitrates used in the production of munitions was charged by a federal grand jury Wednesday against 29 corporations, including E. L. DuPont De Nemours & Co.

City Council in Short Meet

Judges, Clerks Are Selected

Officials for Election Here Tuesday Selected

The following men were selected here Tuesday night by City Central Committee to serve as judges and clerks in the city election here Tuesday Decembr 10:

Judges of Ward 1

Lex Helms, Lamar Cox, F. N. Porter.

Alternate Judges

C. E. Weaver, Leo Hartsfield, G. P. Casey.

Clerks

James Cantley, Dick Watkins.

Alternate Clerks

W. E. White, A. W. Stabbeman.

Sheriff

W. L. Porter.

Judges of Ward 3

Henry Hayes, G. W. McDowell,

Grady Hairston.

Alternate Judges

J. L. Rogers, Henry Taylor, A. Mont Allen.

Clerks

Henry Hill, Hervey Holt.

Alternate Clerks

Stuart Hunt, R. E. Cain.

Sheriff

T. E. Urrey.

Alternate Sheriff

C. P. Zimmerman.

Judges of Ward 4

C. E. Taylor, W. W. Compton, N. U. Cassidy.

Alternate Judges

Roy Johnson, Will Orton, Ed McCorle.

Clerks

Robert LaGrone Jr., F. D. Henry.

Alternate Clerks

W. A. Lewis, Franklin Horton.

Sheriff

Tom Billingsley Jr.

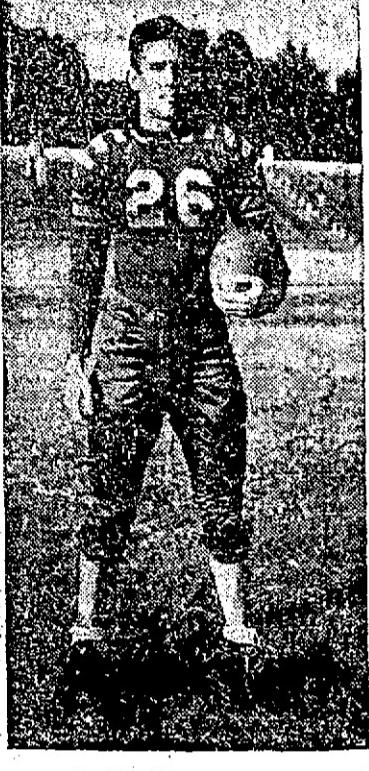
Judges of Ward 5

Hope Boy in Reddie Lineup

Hugh Reese Is Regular Henderson Starter

ARKADELPHIA — When Arkansas leading college football classic gets underway here Friday afternoon between the Henderson State Teachers College and the Ouachita Tigers, Hope will have at least one man in the starting lineup.

Hugh Reese, former Hope High school star, and now a junior at Henderson, is playing as a first string end with the Reddies. Reese has been one of the most outstanding men on the squad this season, and gained high recognition when the all-state teams were selected this past week.



All-Star Game at Memphis

Arkansas, Tennessee Gridders Meet Dec. 29

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—A football dream will come true December 29th, at Crump Stadium in Memphis.

It's the second annual Dream Game, pitting senior stars from Arkansas against those of Tennessee, and the battle promises to provide a lively affair. The Vol Staters will recall the 13 to 9 locking they took at the hands of Arkansans last year.

Forty-four outstanding seniors from the two states will go into the contest. Henry "Red" Sanders of Vanderbilt and his entire staff will be on hand promptly at 9 o'clock Monday morning, December 23, to handle the Tennesseeans. Coach Ed Kubale, who guides Southwestern Lynx, and his assistants will tutor the Arkansans.

At present the Shrine Football Committee, sponsors of the game, are working diligently to determine just what 22 men will form each team. From far and near they are seeking information on players, sending a query to High School coaches and contacting college coaches and scouts who have observed the boys in action.

Within the next few days, the 44 invitations will be dropped into the mail. Meanwhile much speculation is going on in both states as to who will be selected.

The Dream Game is a great attraction—yes, sir, a gridiron dream come true.

Eyes Help in Beauty Makeup

Your Eyes Can Keep Other Eyes on You

By BETTY CLARKE
AP Feature Service Writer

Your eyes can keep other eyes on you if you know the art of makeup. Less makeup rather than more is likely to do the trick.

And it's not easy even to apply light makeup properly and make it emphasize your best features. You should put it on subtly enough to prevent that harsh, heavily made-up look.

Even celebrities have to work to master the art of eye makeup. This is what the singer, Hildegarde, told me about how she solved the problem:

"During the course of an evening both teams may go on an offensive spree. They have what it takes for this.

Bug-eyed



Photographer Robert Boyd made this amusing picture of a pig-tailed little girl looking cross-eyed at a butterfly which has settled on her nose, and Edward Steichen, dean of American photographers, selected it as one of the best photos of 1940. It's in the 1941 edition of U. S. Camera, the photographic yearbook.

It is usually necessary for me to go from bright spotlight to the dimmer lights of a night club or to the theater.

Looked Like Surrealist

"Heavily made-up eyes, coated with mascara, were fine for the bright lights. But I looked like a surrealist when they were turned off."

"I had to have something simple and effective. Petroleum jelly was the answer. It seemed to make the eyes look larger and brighter yet soft and appealing.

"This is the way I apply it: First a light film of eye shadow to the edge of the lid, shading it toward the edge."

"Then over eye shadow, with the tip of your finger, put a film of the jelly, heavier at the edge and gradually lighted up to the brow."

Applied Lightly

"Brush the mascara on the lashes very lightly, never sticking the lashes together.

"It's mascara hurts your eyes, the their outline and brightness showing

jelly can be brushed on the tips of even in dim light.

SERIAL STORY

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF SALE OF SCHOOL BONDS

Hope School District No. 1-A of Hempstead County, Arkansas, hereby gives notice that it will offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash at a public sale to be held at 2 P. M., on the 12th of December, 1940, at the office of the County Examiner in the Court House in Hope, Arkansas, \$229,500 refunding bonds dated December 1, 1940 bearing interest at the rate of 3½% per annum, payable January 1 and July 1 of each year, and all maturing on January 1, 1968. These bonds are callable at par and accrued interest in numerical order on January of any year after date until January 1, 1956 only from the surplus in the building fund but on and after January 1, 1956 they are callable on January 1 of any year at par and accrued interest from any funds of the district received from any source. The District also reserves the right to call for tenders on the new refunding issue on December 1st each year.

The Commercial National Bank of Little Rock, Arkansas will be trustee and place of payment. The district will furnish the buyer the approving opinion of Wallace Townsend, attorney of Little Rock, Arkansas.

Sealed bids will be received until the hour set forth for the sale at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read. Bidders must accompany their bid by cashier's check from some bank that is a member of the Federal Reserve system in the sum of \$5,000.00 payable to the district, and must otherwise satisfy the district that it will deposit the balance of the purchase price to the credit of the district is same shall be forfeited to the district as liquidated damages. The bonds will be delivered not later than January 2, 1941.

The board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and also to offer for sale all or such part of said bonds as the district sees fit.

The bonds will be secured by a continuous tax of six mills voted for the purpose of retiring this proposed issue.

The bidder will be required to pay accrued interest on the new bonds from December 1, to date of delivery. The bidder will also be required to pay all of the expense of the issue.

This, the 20th day of November, 1940.

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SOCIETY

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Social Calendar

Wednesday, December 4th Paisley P. T. A. the school, 3 o'clock. The Christmas program will be in charge of the children. There will be a social hour after the program. All mothers are urged to attend.

Brookwood Parent Teachers Association, the school, 3 o'clock. All members are asked to be present.

The Bay View Reading club will meet at Grassy Lake at the Arch Moore cottage. Luncheon will be served at 1 o'clock.

The United Daughters of the Confederacy, Pat Clabourne chapter, home of Mrs. L. W. Young, 2:30 o'clock. At the meeting, the program will be in charge of the members of the Clara Lathrop chapter of the Children of the Confederacy. Each member is asked to bring two Christmas gifts to be sent to the former Hope.

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It's hardly a battleship, but this outboard motorboat can navigate the waterways of Scotland where regular naval ships can't go. So the Home Guards of a Scottish town have organized patrols in small craft to protect their villages. Lewis machine gun mounted on bow is the "heavy artillery."

Master Dick Broach Is Host On Tuesday Afternoon

The very young citizens of the city had their chance to give for the sake of charity on Tuesday afternoon, when Master Dick Broach invited a number of his young friends to attend his birthday party at the Capitol hotel and bring gifts for the poor children of the community.

Throughout the afternoon numbers of games were played and favors, which consisted of elongated balloons, "Pinocchio" masks, and party caps in various colors, were distributed to the guests.

The cutting of the beautiful two-tiered white birthday cake topped with two glowing pink candles was a feature of the afternoon entertainment. While the young host cut the cake, the guests sang the traditional "Happy Birthday" songs. The delicious cake was served with ice cream cups to over 100 guests.

Assisting in caring for the many young socialites were Mrs. R. L. Broach, Mrs. Syd McMath, Mrs. Roy Stevenson, Mrs. George Newbern, Jr., Miss Lorraine Whitehurst, Mrs. Ethel Whitehurst, and Mrs. N. B. Turner. Those attending were quite generous in their contributions for the less fortunate youngsters in the city.

Miss Ruth Taylor Continues Lectures At P. T. A. Council Meetings

The P. T. A. Council held a very instructive meeting Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 at the city hall. Miss Ruth Taylor, head of the Home Economics department at the high school, gave a most instructive lecture on cosmetics buying. About 50 P. T. A. members attended the meeting.

Proceeding the regular meeting, the executive committee met for a short business session.

Mrs. Lyman Armstrong Has Weekly Meeting of Tuesday Club

On Tuesday afternoon the members of the Tuesday Contract bridge club were entertained at the home of Mrs. Lyman Armstrong. Two tables were arranged for the members and three guests, Mrs. Thompson Evans Jr., Mrs. Roy Powell, and Mrs. Kelly Bryant.

After several games scores were counted with Mrs. Harold Hobson and Mrs. Paul H. Jones receiving the high score prizes.

A delicious salad plate was served the guests at the end of the games.

Mrs. Story, Mrs. Bryant, and Mrs. Lewis Are Circle 1 Hostesses

Circle No. 1 of the Women's Society of Christian Service met Monday at the home of Mrs. Garrett Story with Miss Mamie Bryant and Mrs. Gib Lewis as co-hostesses.

The leader of the circle, Mrs. Joe Laster, opened the meeting by presenting Mrs. W. C. Miller, who gave the meditation. Mrs. Len McElroy led the program on "Spiritual Possessions." Mrs. J. O. Milam and Mrs. Wimberly participated.

Special music was rendered by three guests, Mrs. Hendrix Spraggins, Miss Harriet Story, and Miss Mary Louise Keith. "There's a Song in the Air" and "Holy Night" were their chosen

vocal numbers.

During the social hour gifts were exchanged at the beautiful Christmas tree. The hostesses served delightful refreshments to the fifteen members present and 4 visitors.

Personal Mention

Friends of Mrs. John Keith Gregory will be happy to know that she has been removed to her home from the Julia Chester hospital, where she has been seriously ill for the past week.

Mrs. L. W. Young, Mrs. Dick Forsyth and son, "Ricky" and Mrs. Lile Moore are Wednesday visitors to Texarkana.

Mrs. A. C. Whitehurst of Fulton was in the city Tuesday to assist in extending the courtesies at the birthday party of her grandson, Dick Broach.

Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Coop have recently moved and are now domiciled in their new home on South Elm street.

Miss Catherine Lane has accepted a position in Alexandria, Louisiana and has gone to that city to make her new home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hargis announce the arrival of a baby boy on December 2 at the Julia Chester hospital. The child has been named Albert Lewis Hargis.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks for the many kindnesses shown during our recent bereavement by our friends and neighbors. We especially appreciate the loving messages of consolation from the word of God by the Rev. Eddy and Rev. Garrott, also for the beautiful floral offerings, and the many thoughts of kindnesses shown by the Herndon-Cornelius Funeral Home, the songs rendered by the singers, Sweeney Copeland, Otto Taylor, Claud Taylor and Clifford Franks. May God in his supreme power bless each and everyone for every thought of kindness and sympathy.

Mrs. Henry Atkinson, Gertrude Holloway, Dr. J. P. Atkinson, Mattie Atkinson, Mary Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mitchell and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dawson Atkinson and family.

Minerals in Ocean Ooze

The ocean floor's submarine ooze has been found to contain amounts of manganese, iron, tin, copper, gold, and other minerals known to exist in sea water.

Punkies, a species of small fly, are known to science by the name of culicoides sanguisugus csp. Indians of Maine call them "no-see-ums."

being formed by state governors.

Here's the Elliott program so far:

1. Start a radio news service to tell housewives which are the good and cheap food buys each day.

2. Start a school lunch program so that each child has one adequate meal each day.

3. Work for low cost ways of selling milk, fruit, and vegetables so the low income families can get them.

4. Set up diet clinics where homemakers can bring their nutrition problems.

5. Support the food stamp plan.

6. Learn, if you have land, to raise the food you can't buy, and can it.

7. Urge merchants to sell government graded foods.

Miss Elliott, personally is busy keeping prices down by dint of advising the Army and Navy, through her staff, on the best places and time for their large supply purchases. But she urges club women to keep a wary eye on prices in their own cities.

She adds that 40 per cent of the population is undernourished, pointing out that weak men won't stand up well, either on factory production lines or in the Army.

She advises the food clinics because a good portion of those undernourished are suffering not from lack of money, but because the home-maker doesn't know how to prepare the right kind of diet.

Not Carrying Banners!

In the General Federation of Women's Clubs the president, Mrs. Sadie Orr Dunbar, is urging some 2,000,000 members to get behind their community welfare programs.

She says, picturequely, "This defense work is not carrying banners. It is washing dishes."

She is discouraging any moves to set up new defense groups. She advises instead that women stick to their original service programs—nursing, school lunches, aid to the Red Cross, and so on.

The American Home Economics association is polling its 1,500 members to learn their special abilities.

At the American Association of University Women there is the same sentiment. Dr. Kathryn McHale, the

Hope Students Join Chorus

Martha Houston,

J. T. Luck in

Hendrix Club

CONWAY — Miss Martha Houston and J. T. Luck of Hope, students at Hendrix College, Conway, will sing with the Hendrix Choristers, directed by J. Glen Metcalf, assistant professor of music at Hendrix, in the annual presentation of Handel's world-famed oratorio, "The Messiah," in the Azley gymnasium on Sunday night December 8. Last year's performance was attended by a crowd of 2000; a similar audience is expected this year, Mr. Metcalf said.

Miss Houston sings with the soprano section of the Choristers; Luck sings with the bass.

Soloists for the program, which consists of two parts—a group of Christmas carols and choruses and "The Messiah"—will be Miss Katherine Gau, instructor in voice at Hendrix, soprano; Mrs. Harry I. Lane of Conway, contralto; Ben Quartermous of Little Rock, tenor; and Louis Vaughan, Jr. of Little Rock, bass. The Choristers will be accompanied by Miss Maxine Reeves of Heber Springs and Charles Smith of Little Rock at two pianos, and by a selected group of the Hendrix symphony orchestra.

The Conway high school chorus, directed by Mrs. C. E. McNutt, instructor in public school music at Hendrix, will join the Hendrix chorus in singing the last number, "The Hallelujah Chorus," making a total of 200 participants.

On December 15 the Choristers will go to Little Rock to become a part of the Little Rock civic chorus in their annual presentation of "The Messiah" in the Robinson Memorial Auditorium.

director is mailing out a program to the 70,000 members through which runs the same welfare strain—consumer problems, jobs and education for youth, and, uniquely among the women's organizations, leadership in public opinion.

Planes Forums

The university membership is planning to organize forums this winter to crystallize opinions on foreign policy, American solidarity, the relation of labor standards to defense, and so on.

The university women have already cabled thousands of dollars to care for European university women who are refugees in those countries not occupied by the Nazis. They are preparing to take children of such women for care here.

Red Cross women, of course, have had several months hard start because of the nature of their work. There are now 500,000 Red Cross volunteers working. They have sent abroad, mostly to England, 8,000,000 surgical dressings and 1,500,000 garments of all kinds.

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A Cry From Tortured China

For more than three years China has been overrun by Japanese armies, her cities bombed from the air, her ports shelled from the sea. Hundreds of thousands have been killed. Many more thousands have died from exposure, starvation, and disease.

For the most part China has fought alone. She has stood up against awful odds. But there are limits to the agony men and women can endure. To emphasize this, it is only necessary to quote one paragraph from a recent report from Hong Kong by Madame Chiang Kai-shek, wife of the head of the Chinese government and commander of its armies.

This Chinese Christian woman, appealing to Americans of all creeds, said:

"The temporary closing of the Burma Road has so depleted our medical supplies that major operations are still being performed without anesthetics. The sight of men and women and children being tortured in agony, and our utter helplessness to alleviate their pain, are experiences which I hope will never be known by other people."

To try to bring some help to China, a China Emergency Relief Committee has been formed, largely by the same people who a few months ago constituted the Women's Committee of Tribute to China.

That voluntary committee did its bit toward relieving the terrible suffering of Chinese soldiers and civilians. It furnished 200 base hospitals with sterilizers so badly needed when operations are performed, and 50 hospitals with modern surgical implements to take the place of crude ones hammered hastily out of pieces of old iron. It gave 200 hospitals much-wanted microscopes. In addition, it supplied 150,000 doses of abatine for the treatment of 35,000 people suffering from malignant malaria, about one million quinine tablets for the further fight against malaria epidemics and 350,000 doses of sulphathiazole, the so-called "magic bullet" used in coping with bubonic plague.

Even these figures are not impressive when compared with the terrible needs of a stricken people whose numbers run into uncounted millions.

There is, as a consequence, one more urgent call to American charity. Everybody recognizes that the appeals to that charity are seemingly endless. America is asked to alleviate hunger and suffering all over the world.

China has one very big claim to help in resisting Japan, she is resisting and maybe helping to exhaust a war-making totalitarian state none too friendly to the United States.

Answer to Cranium Cracker

Questions on Page One

1. Chamberlain was prime min-

MIND YOUR MANNERS

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Test your knowledge of correct social usage by answering the following questions, then checking against the authoritative answers below:

1. If it is necessary to call a friend during business hours should you make your conversation brief?

2. Should a wife make a habit of calling her husband at his office?

3. If your office frowns on personal telephone calls, is it all right for you to tell your friends of the situation, and ask that they call you at home?

4. Is it all right to instruct a maid to say, when she answers the telephone during dinner, "Mr. Brown is at dinner. May I have him call you back?"

5. Should a secretary answering a telephone call to her employer say, "This is Miss Brown. May I help you?" or "This is Mr. Smith's secretary. Can I help you?"

What would you do if—

You are having trouble understanding the person who has called you on the telephone—

(a) Say "Speak louder, please?"

(b) Say, "I'm sorry, I didn't understand what you said?"

Answers

1. Yes.

2. No. Only when it is really necessary.

3. Yes.

4. Yes, if otherwise a member of the family would be called from the table several times in the course of a meal.

5. The latter.

Best "What Would You Do" solution—(b).

McCASKILL

Mr. and Mrs. John Gould visited relatives in Murfreesboro Sunday.

Miss Laurene Harper of The Reeder School faculty spent Thanksgiving here with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Harper.

Mrs. Argie Henry and daughter, Miss Nell spent Thanksgiving with relatives in Pittsburg, Texas.

Miss Mickey Wisinger of El Dorado spent the weekend here the guest of Miss Bonnie Marie Anthony.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Box and children of Smackover visited relatives here this week.

Misses Arlene and Lola Wortham of Prescott visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Franks of El Dorado visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Eley and Mrs. Alvis Stokes were shopping in Hope Friday.

Mrs. Graydon Anthony, Mrs. Doris Wortham, Misses Janele McCaskill, Gracie Wortham, Bonnie Anthony and James Etheridge attended the show at Nashville Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hood and family of El Dorado spent Thanksgiving here with relatives.

Miss Pauline Gould of Murfreesboro is here for a visit with her father John Gould.

Miss Eva Jean Shuffield of Magnolia A. & M. college spent the weekend here with her parents Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Shuffield.

Miss Mary Wilma Honeycutt spent the weekend visiting relatives in Nashville.

Mrs. Marlen Askew passed away Saturday night and was buried Sunday afternoon at Avery Chapel. She is survived by her husband and 6 children, Melvin Sherwood, Guy, Mrs. Wendell Stone, and Mrs. Lester Mardlow all of McCaskill, and Mrs. Bertha Brown of Blevins.

ister just once.

He was a steel magnate before entering public service.

3. Chamberlain made his "peace in our time" statement on his return from the Munich conference with Hitler, Mussolini and Daladier in the fall of 1938.

4. He served as lord mayor of Birmingham.

5. Chamberlain was prime minister for just short of three years. He assumed the office May 28, 1937, when Stanley Baldwin retired, and resigned May 10, 1940.

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Bruce Catton Says:

By BRUCE CATTON, NEA Washington Correspondent

'New Majority' Will Put Stress On Investigation

WASHINGTON — Biggest change that has come over any government agency in years is about due on the National Labor Relations Board.

There will be a lot of reorganizing and a lot of changes in personnel. Most important of all, however, will be the change in the board's general attitude.

The board's "new majority"—Dr. Harry A. Mills and Dr. William N. Leiserson—feel that the board should be primarily a scientific investigating body rather than a combination of judge and prosecutor. That implies a profound shift in the board's approach to its job.

For instance: technically, the board is not what everyone supposes it to be—a law enforcement agency. It has no power to compel an employer to do anything. It cannot enforce its own decrees. All it can do is go to a federal court and, in effect, say: "We find the facts to be thus and so and we feel that the remedy should be such and such. Please look the whole business over, and if you see it the way we do please issue an order."

That being so, the "new majority" sees the big job as one of getting the facts—all the facts, not merely the ones which will support an accusation. For the board as they see it is not out to prosecute someone for violating a law; it is out to study a complaint, collect and examine the facts, and see what those facts indicate.

This means extensive research by trained men. It means much less wrangling by lawyers, much less running-out of evidence as "inadmissible" in labor board hearings. It means a labor board tackling a given job like an assayer who examines an ore sample—not to find out if there is one specific element in the sample but to learn exactly how many elements are there and in what proportions.

Big Job: Get Facts

Along with all of this there will be a new emphasis on impartiality of approach and manner. Both Dr. Mills and Dr. Leiserson have spent years in the arbitration and mediation of labor cases. Mediation has no place in

these facts create is affected by the provisions of the contract.

In a way, that's similar to the labor board's job as these men see it. In place of a labor contract, there is the Wagner Act; find out what the facts are when there is a complaint, match them against the law, and see what you get—bearing in mind always that the big job is to get the facts, not to make out a case against somebody.

Goes Back to Public

Mostly (to repeat) that is a matter of emphasis and approach. It provides. Then he studies the facts, to see exactly how the situation which

is in the right way. All parties must be convinced that the board is fair and is doing its level best to dispense justice. In every case that comes before the board, somebody is going to lose; unless the loser feels that he got a fair break from a studious, impartial tribunal, he's going to be sure and so is the general public. And if the public gets enough, the labor board is going to come a cropper no matter how right it has been.

A woman milliner in England whose arms had been paralytic several months reported herself cured when thrown to the ground recently by a bomb.

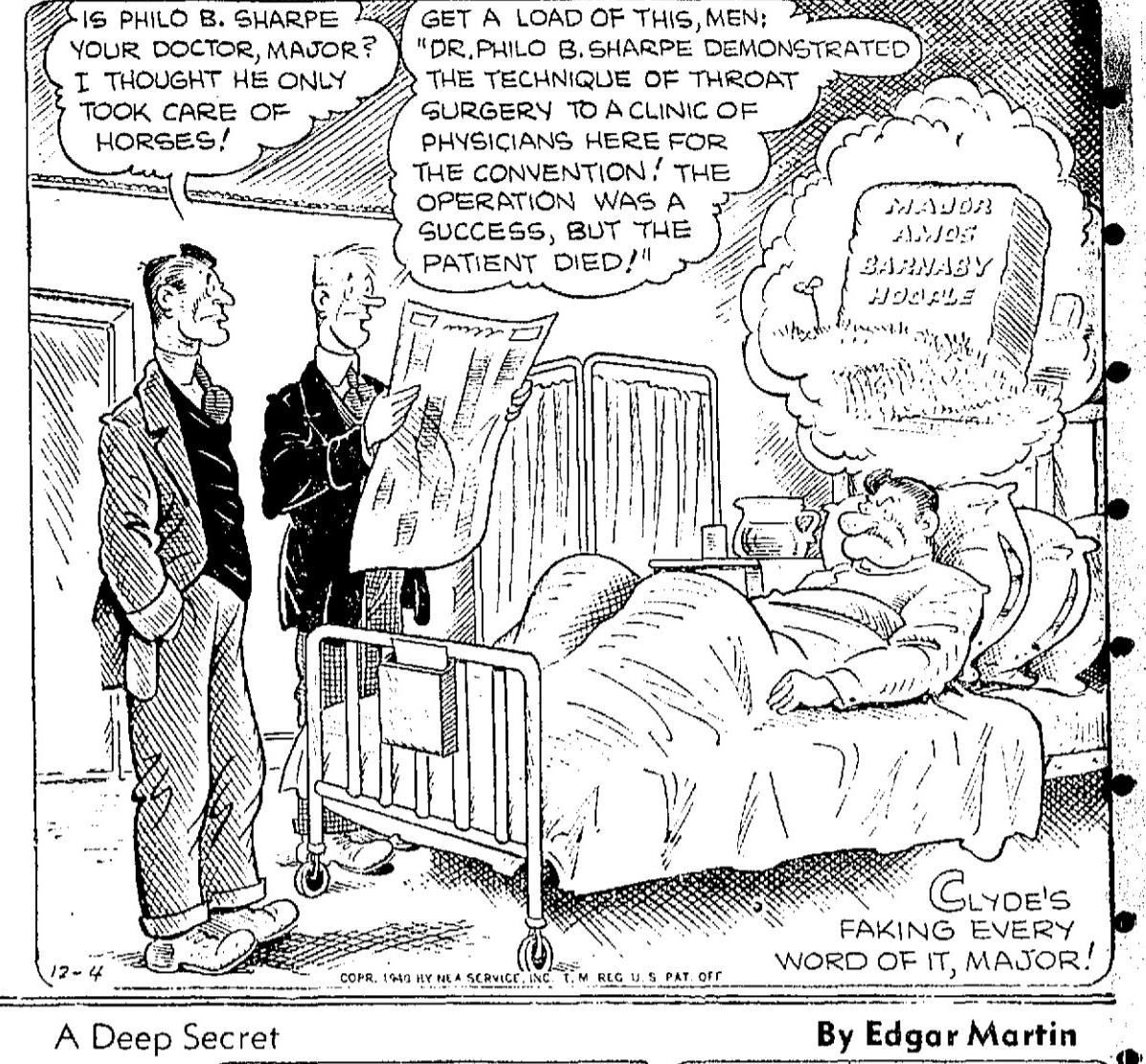
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What Is Your Nationality?

Thousands of Americans Can't Prove Who They Are

By JACK STINNETT

WASHINGTON—What's your nationality? Now, stop and think. Can you prove it?

What's your age? Stop and think again. Can you prove that? With indices of indeterminate age, that has provided more Joe Millers than has the mother-in-law or the traveling salesman. But as strange as it may seem, there are thousands of Americans who can't prove their nationality and hundreds of thousands who—if they know how old they are—can't prove it.

In spite of the fact that this is probably the most statistical era of all time, this great void in the American knowledge of facts and figures might never have come to light if it weren't for the Census Bureau. That division of the government, which is charged with enumerating the peoples of our nation, is discovering that if it takes an army to enumerate, it takes at least a sizeable battalion to answer the questions: How old am I? Where was I born?

At the rate of 1,500 to 2,000 a day, letters have been pouring into the Census Bureau for weeks asking verification of these two facts. The flood has been such that there has been no chance yet to analyze it—to separate the queries into classifications that might define what is going on. But on the basis of superficial observation, there are some things that can be said right now:

Jobs Threatened

Not only in the government, but in private industry, there is a house-cleaning move to purge all aliens. Of the thousands of letters the Census Bureau is receiving, asking proof of citizenship, by far the greater percent explain that the writer **MUST** have this information immediately to hold his job. For one reason or another (except or appearance, to name only two) the author writes, he is suspected of being an alien. He knows that the Census Bureau can clear this up. Will they please do so at once, so he won't get fired?

Just what percentage of these requests come from private industry or from the government, where laws have already passed forbidding employment of undeclared aliens in many departments, has not yet been determined, but it is certain that lots of private employers are scanning their payrolls and weeding out the foreigners who have not taken out papers.

An even greater number of letters fall into the Census Bureau mail baskets from persons trying to find out how old they are. Most of these came originally from persons seeking old age pensions. But the draft swamped the bureau. The compulsory filing of birth certificates is comparatively recent and even where it has been a practice for years, hundreds of communities have seen their records lost through carelessness and indifference or destroyed by fire, floods or winds.

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Validity Established
Through the courts, validity of the Census Bureau statistics has been established. It has been proved that army papers, passports, civil service records and other official papers filed under oath sometimes lie, but Census Bureau records, checked and double-checked over the years, rarely fail to disclose the truth. Private employers, the government and the courts all have come to recognize the authenticity of Census Bureau reports, according to the demand.

To meet this demand, the Census Bureau has prepared regular forms for answering these questions—but don't try to get one of these just by writing in for it.

Census Bureau information on individuals is available only to those individuals. The bureau already has its round and around about the secrecy of its information on individuals, and not even J. Edgar Hoover and his G-boys could get it without the permission of the person involved—which is sort of tops in hush-hushing.

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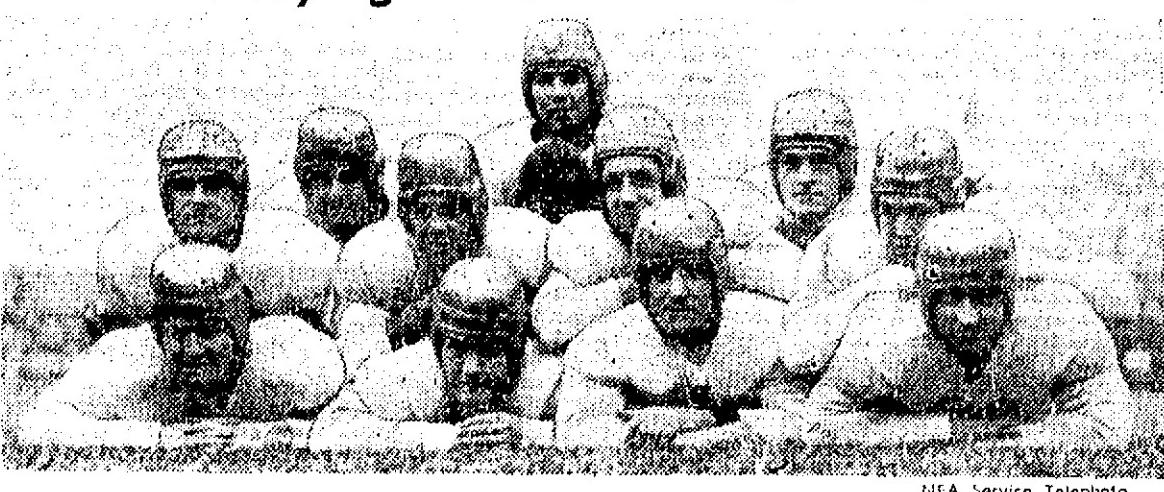
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Answering the Mail Orders

No Plan Being Made to Get Citizens From Greece

By JACK STINNETT

WASHINGTON — Answering the mail orders:

M. B. Southampton, N. Y.—The state department says that it is making no further plans to bring United States nationals out of Greece. This means that there are no plans at all at present. The government points out that it gave adequate warning long ago for American citizens to get out of Greece and the complications of transportation are now such that they can do nothing about it. If your son and daughter are still there and although they were born in this

country and hence entitled to U. S. citizenship if you had not taken out naturalization papers until recently, they may be in for complications.

Greece is one of the many countries where the dual citizenship problem arises. There are several countries that say children born of natives living abroad still are citizens of the country of their parents. This claim is re-established when those children return to the land of their parents.

It is even possible that your son, now close to maturity, had been called for service in the Greek army. If this has not happened, and you can afford an expensive transportation, it is possible that the boy and girl can get out through Turkey and the East. One person here who recently returned from Europe tells me that it is still possible to get out of Greece through Yugoslavia, northern Italy (by "scared express"), occupied France, Spain, and Portugal, but I am unable to verify either of these routes.

C. A. P., Biloxi, Miss.—You are right. I did jump the gun a bit on the Socialist party candidate for President since 1900 and I'm glad to straighten out my record as well as that of my informant. Eugene V. Debs was the candidate every four years from 1900 to 1912, inclusive and again in 1920. Allan L. Benson was candidate in 1916 and resigned from the party two years later. Frank T. Johns, a carpenter, was the candidate in 1924 and Norman Thomas has been the candidate in each succeeding four years since then. This gives Debs a record of having been candidate for President on a national ticket five times and Thomas four . . . two pretty remarkable political records and my only reason for bringing the matter up at all.

T. C., Newark, N. J.—The United States ambassador to Turkey is John Van Antwerp MacMurray, 35-year-old veteran of 33 years in the diplomatic service. He has served in Bangkok, Tokio, Peking and Russia, to mention only a few places. He is a scholarly gentleman, whose hobbies include the philosophies and ways of life in the Near East of ancient times. He is, however, rated one of the most practical of modern diplomats in state department circles. There's nothing professorial or pedantic in his attitude toward affairs in the Near East now.

He was born in Schenectady, N. Y., and in the early 1900's graduated from Princeton and Columbia law school.

Diabetes No. 10

Diabetes still is with us as a major killer, last in the first ten. However,

the discovery of insulin gives medical science a control weapon to prolong the lives of its victims to normal span, where once they were condemned to early, wasting death.

Looking at the whole health picture, there are ten major causes of death.

They are in order: heart disease, cancer, accidental violence, infectious diseases, cerebral hemorrhage, nephritis, digestive system ills, pneumonia, diseases of early infancy and diabetes.

Outside the infectious diseases,

great advances have been made in medical science. The death rate from

diseases of early infancy, ninth on the list, totaled 88.2 per 100,000 in 1900, but have been reduced to 43.3.

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Fever Unconquered

These are typical examples. Yellow

fever, smallpox, scarlet fever,

measles, whooping cough—all once-

lethal ailments, show markedly lower

death rates, either through elimination

of causes or better methods of treat-

ment, or both.

There are still some unconquered

killers in the infectious disease classi-

cation, fourth on the list of death

causes. Syphilis still maintains its

death rate, but the public health

service has set out in earnest to stamp

it out.

Influenza remains a sporadic but

deadly killer. Recurrent epidemics

sweep out of nowhere, filling cemeteries.

The lethal effect has been halved by better treatment, and scientists

are on the trail of the virus

which causes it.

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Oil Is Major Axis Problem

Russian Talks Believed Scheme to Get Oil

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WASHINGTON—The major key to the next phase of the European war may be a three-letter word. It's "O-I-L."

Whether the Axis powers concentrate on the British Isles, or Gibraltar or Suez, or all three, the long range planning behind their military and diplomatic maneuvers may be forced upon them by the coming thirst of their industrial and war machines for the stuff that turns the wheels of modern nations—petroleum.

That's the view of some Washington economists, who suspect that the Axis' problem at this time is oil rather than food. Not that it's giving out any time soon. But it must look ahead, now that it's failed to make quick work of Britain.

For instance, the economists suspect recent German-Russian negotiations were concerned, not with a new or intensified partnership, but with a German scheme to siphon oil from the Near East, or even Russia herself.

Similarly, the statisticians also see in the military meeting of the Italian and German high commands at Innsbruck, Austria, a revival of the often discussed threat against Gibraltar. For that way also tends to precious oil—the oil of the Western Hemisphere.

Why the push for oil?

Most military experts and economists agree that it takes about 200,000,000 to 300,000,000 barrels of oil a year to run the Axis war against the British. But assuming both Italy and Germany have built up reasonable reserves, they cannot hope to replenish their supplies from the long big oil field in their possession—the Romanian. At best this area could give them only 60,000,000 barrels a year.

Maybe they can squeeze out another 15 million barrels from shale and coal. But that's much less than half enough oil for a year of Axis warfare.

The nearest additional oil for the Axis is in the Near East. The British fields in Iraq and Iran produce close to 100,000,000 barrels a year under forced draft. And that's just about what Germany and Italy need in addition to what they have.

Hence the attempted drive through Greece. That could open up the eastern end of the Mediterranean.

Next best would be to persuade Turkey to join the Axis, and get permission to go through that country, and thus reach precious oil.

In the view of a well informed expert on Russian affairs in this country, Russia would object to the presence in Iran or Iraq of sizeable German forces.

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The Russians well remember the British attempt after the World war to move into Baku, the heart of the Russian oil fields. A gesture from the Russian army put a stop to that.

If they should let the Germans through, could they expect Hitler to be as easy to oust in case of victory against the British, as were the British themselves after the World war? Hardly possible. Opinion here is that the Russians would not allow any power any closer to their oil than the British are in Persia now.

The next best bet for the Axis would be oil from the Western Hemisphere, not from the United States, from the Latin American producers, such as Mexico and Venezuela. That entails an attack on Gibraltar to open the way for Axis ships, or a route through North Africa.

Standing in the way, in either event, is the United States, and the 21 American republics, sympathetic to the British, and capable of intensifying their aid to the British Empire.

All of this adds up to the fact that mighty Russia and the mighty United States, both now at least non-belligerent, stand in the way of lubrication and power for the Axis war machine.

But the Axis must sooner or later seek oil in one direction, or the other. Which way will it turn?

HIGHLIGHTS FROM LATEST BOOKS

"The Family" Is New Novel Added to County Library's Fiction Shelves

"The Family," by Nina Fedorova, is one of those rare books that are gay and tragic and timeless, swift in the reading, yet lingering long in the memory. It is colorful in setting, rich in emotion, yet with an essential theme of strength and faith that makes it truly of and for our times.

The story is laid in China during the Japanese invasion in 1937. The family is White Russian, with all the vital, heartwarming qualities the nationality implies. There are five of them: Granny, Mother, and the children of the third generation, Peter, Lida, and Dima, who is only eight. They try to make ends meet by running a boardinghouse, and they open their doors, and their hearts, to the strangest collection of boarders ever gathered under one roof. You meet a Bessarabian fortune-teller, an English woman who has taken to the bottle, a Russian scientist turned idealist to save the world, a social climber, a titled lady whose love affair is the talk and wonder of English-speaking China, an American doughboy and his mistress, three Russian nuns, a collection of hissing and bowing Japanese.

The family takes them all in and gives freely of its affection and compassion. And as the family widens its circle, sharing new experiences rich in humor and feeling, always placing a high value on human dignity, when war and separation cloud their lives, they have found a faith that sustains them when they need it most.

Realists Help Dreamers Work

"Good Neighbor" Policy Plans to Give S. A. Credit

By JACK STINNETT

WASHINGTON—Out of the flood of talk about "good neighbor policies," exchanges of culture between North and South America, and nebulous schemes for welding the two continents, there are developing a few concrete plans for laying an economic foundation which really may support the dreams of the dreamers.

To attempt to discuss even briefly

all of these would be to clutter this column with things of scanty meaning, but I hope from time to time to report on the really solid things that are being done to bring South and Central America into a hemispheric family that can stand united against economic, political or military onslaughts from and sources whatever.

Experiments Under Way

Among the larger plans of the realists is one to provide our neighbors to the south with enough capital and credit so that they can spend in the United States on a basis never thought of before.

One government department recently estimated that if one-third of the former U. S. tourist trade to Europe could be diverted to South America, our southern neighbors would have credits enough to make all their necessary purchases from the United States. But that's another story and herein I'm going to consider only what the Department of Agriculture

is doing and plans to do along this line.

There are, at present, four experimental field groups from the department in Central and South America, working on the single crop of rubber. Last year, congress appropriated

half million dollars for this work . . . and if that seems a lot, let's examine the possibilities.

Rubber originated in South America and until about 1910 most of it came from there. Then the Far East, Malaya, Ceylon and the Dutch East Indies . . . began to come to the fore, until last year, when U. S. imports were approximately 600,000 tons, only about 20,000 tons came from South America. About 20,000 tons more came from Firestone plantations in Liberia, West Africa, and most of the rest from the Far East.

A Flood of Money

Let's not even consider the possibilities of our Far Eastern source of supply being closed. Let's just

consider what it would mean to southern Mexico, Brazil and the others if we were to purchase nearly 600,000 tons of rubber at a price which would allow a profit over production costs of 10 cents a pound!

That is why U. S. agricultural experts are in the tropics to develop a disease-resistant domesticated rubber tree. They make no great claims for their progress. If the U. S. has to have rubber tomorrow, it must get it somewhere else—even from the synthetic rubber factories, where it will cost upward from 25 cents a pound to produce. BUT, give them and South America 15 years, and this country will have no worries about its rubber, and South America will have a great new agricultural industry which will provide millions of dollars annually for purchases of our manufactured products.

Hard-Headed View

I have taken the ease of rubber because it is easiest to illustrate and

because work or just planned on other crops.

Agricultural experts are positive that Latin America could produce our total needs of cinchona, from which comes manila hemp; of tea, and perhaps a dozen other things which we cannot grow ourselves and which would double and double again the purchasing power of the countries to the south.

Drastic

Two grass fires shortly afternoon here Wednesday were reported by the Hoppe fire department with no damage caused. The fires were on South Main and North Elm streets.

The most drastic prohibition law in the world today is in effect in Afghanistan, where anyone caught with liquor on his person or property can be sent to prison for six years without trial.

2 Grass Fires Here Shortly After Noon

Miss Danita Barnum to Speak Here Friday

Miss Danita Barnum, former pastor of the First Pentecostal church, West 4th and Ferguson street, will speak Friday night December 6.

Everyone is invited to attend, the pastor, W. O. Graves, announced.

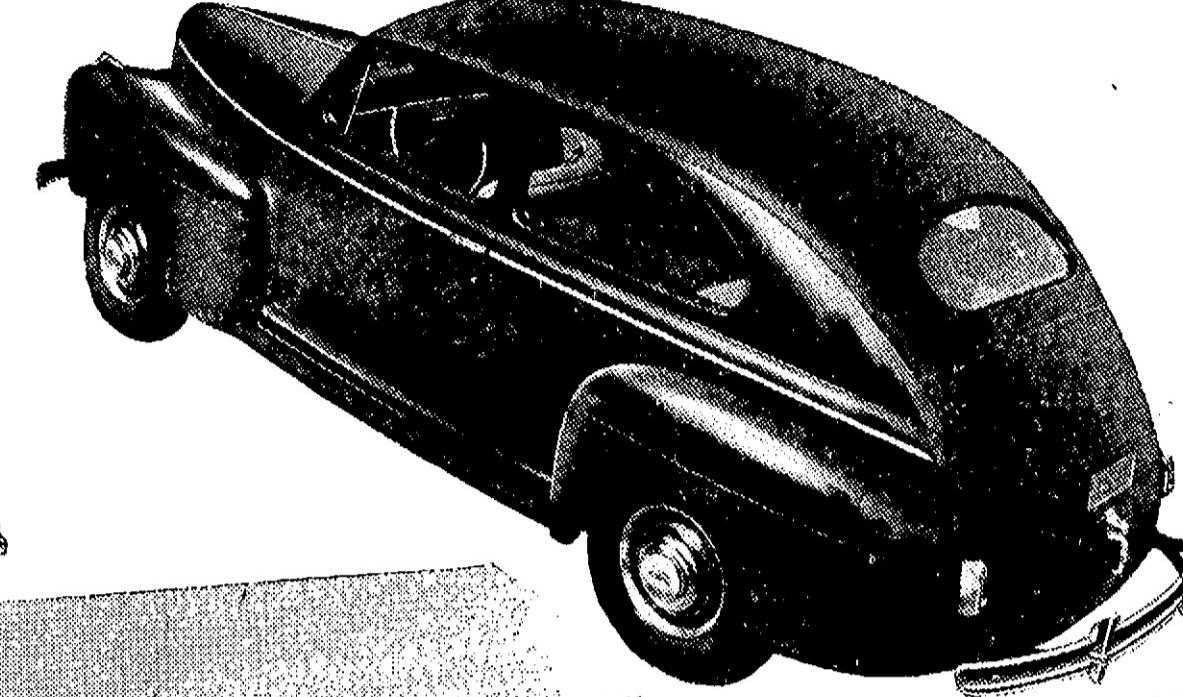
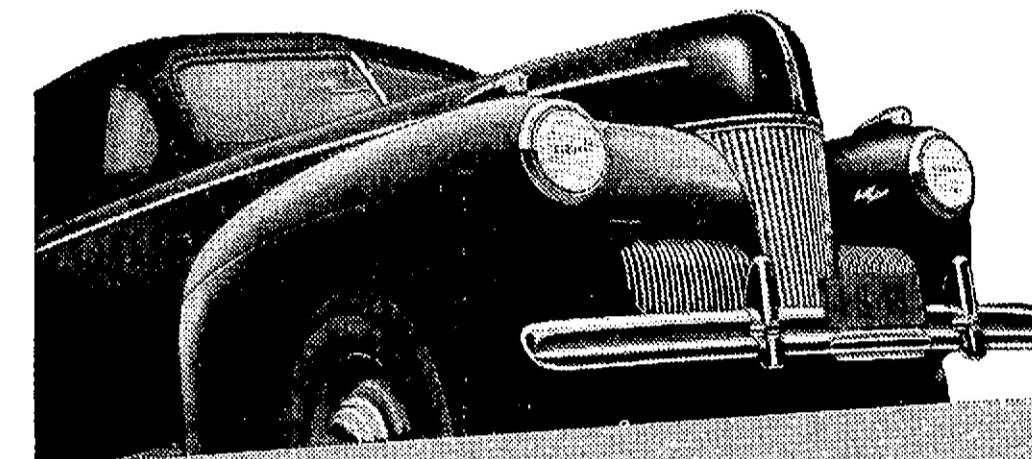
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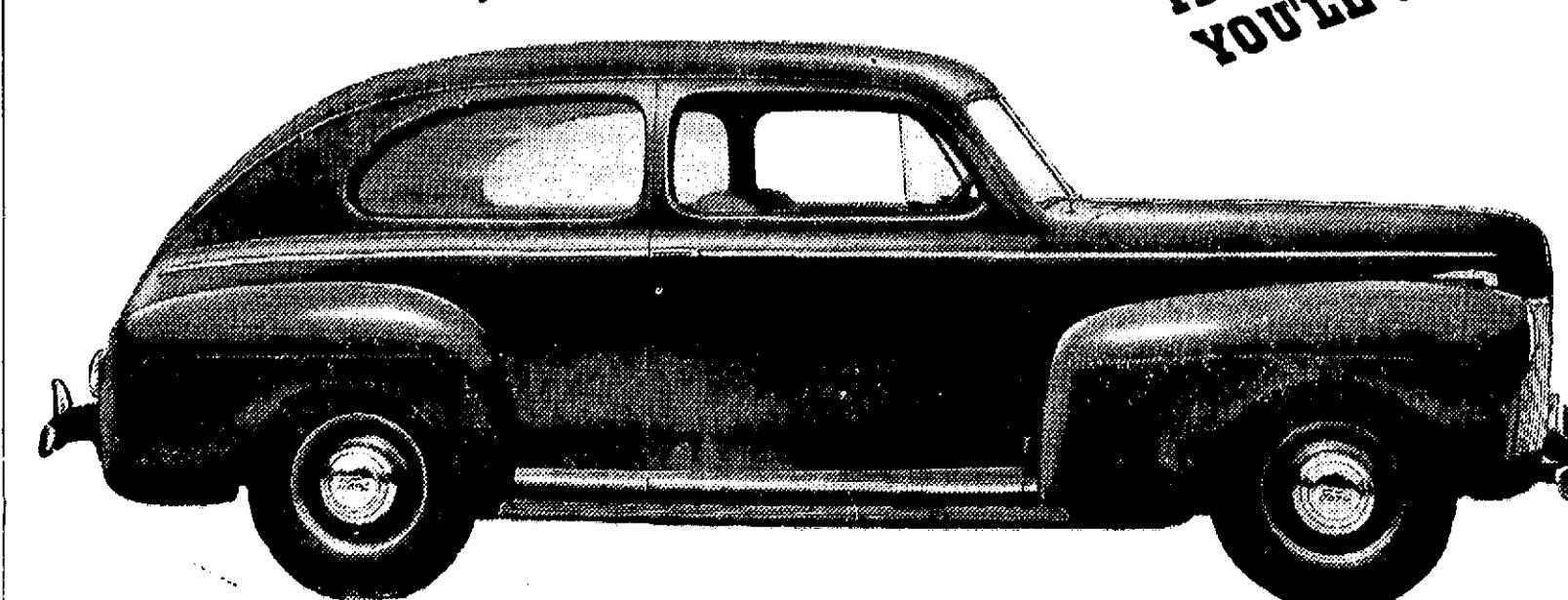


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